

Request for an Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)

The Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, DC 20231

Examiner: HORTON, Yvonne Michele

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Dear Sir:

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Respectfully requested is an extension in the time for filing a response during the third month following the expiration of a shortened statutory period. The purpose of this request is to file our response to the Office Action mailed 02/27/2002.

Applicant is a large entity. Our check in the amount of \$920 is enclosed herewith to cover the fee for the three-month extension. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment related to this filing to Deposit Account No. 10-1202. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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